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FIRST GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

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RAD REFERRAL: 99L-02 DATE ACTIVATED: 6-24-99

STAFF MEMBERS: Eugene H. Bull

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RESPONDENTS:

Ryan for Congress Committee, and

Larry E. Everhart as treasurer

RELEVANT STATUTES:

2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(6)(A)

11 C.F.R. § 104.5(f)

INTERNAL REPORTS CHECKED:

Disclosure Reports

Referral Material

FEDERAL AGENCIES CHECKED:

None

I. GENERATION OF MATTER

The Office of the General Counsel received a referral from the Reports Analysis Division ("RAD") on June 4, 1999. The basis for the referral is the failure of Ryan for Congress Committee and Larry Everhart, as treasurer ("Respondents") to file twenty 48-Hour notifications for contributions totaling \$34,500.00. Paul D. Ryan won the 1998 General Election in the First Congressional District in the State of Wisconsin with 57.1 percent of the vote.

II. FACTUAL AND LEGAL ANALYSIS

Based on the Factual and Legal Analysis, See Attachment 1, this Office recommends the Commission find reason to believe the Respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(6)(A).

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III. DISCUSSION OF CONCILIATION AND CIVIL PENALTY

IV. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Open a MUR.
- 2. Find reason to believe that Ryan for Congress Committee and Larry E. Everhart, as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(6)(A), and enter into conciliation prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
- 3. Approve the attached Factual and Legal Analysis.

4. Approve the appropriate letter.

Lawrence M. Noble General Counsel

 $\frac{7/29/99}{\text{Date}}$

BY:

Lois G. Lerner

Associate General Counsel

Attachments:

- 1. Factual and Legal Analysis
- 2. Proposed Conciliation Agreement